

Missouri State Library

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Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Missouri House of Representatives Passes Budget Bills

On March 12, the Missouri House of Representatives passed the budget bills, which will now be considered by the Missouri Senate. The Legislature must complete the passage of the budget by May 8. House Bill (HB) 12 contains the funding for the Office of Secretary of State, including the appropriations for libraries.

State Aid is listed at \$723,776, the same amount as released so far this fiscal year from the FY15 appropriation of \$3,504,001. Governor Nixon has withheld the remainder of the FY15 funds. State Aid is distributed according to the provisions of RSMo 181.060 to public libraries on a per capita basis for support of library services, and as Equalization payments to qualifying public libraries in economically disadvantaged parts of the state.

For the REAL Program, HB 12 includes \$3,109,250, the same level as appropriated in FY15. However, so far in FY15, Governor Nixon has withheld those funds. The REAL Program funding supports Internet connectivity, training and support for public libraries through MOREnet, and access to electronic resources statewide to all MOREnet members including K-12 schools, higher education institutions, public libraries and state agencies.

To support purchase of materials for library collections, \$800,000 has been allocated for the Athlete and Entertainer payments to public libraries. These funds are distributed to all public libraries that qualify to receive State Aid payments. This is the same level as appropriated in FY15.

Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds are listed in the bill as \$4,125,000. This appropriation allows for the expenditure of the federal LSTA funds awarded to Missouri by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). While the actual LSTA award to Missouri for federal FY15 is \$2.925 million, the State Library requests additional spending authority to account for the manner in which funds are expended, given the two-year spending period for each LSTA award.

Legislative Update Webinar on April 2, 2015

State Librarian Barbara Reading will host the next Legislative Update webinars on April 2 at 2 p.m. Tune in to catch up on the legislature's activity and stay current on topics of importance to the library community. Randy Scherr from MLA will also share his views of the legislative session. Each webinar will be about 45 minutes, or until all questions are answered.

Registration is required and may be completed at [April 2 Legislative Update](#). Registration will be available up to the webinar start time. Microphone use will not be available to participants during the webinar. All questions or comments need to be submitted through the chat box on the webinar screen.

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities from the State Library

Family Friendly Libraries Webinar

On April 16, 2015, from 2-3 p.m., the Missouri State Library will host a webinar on creating a library environment that encourages early literacy. Presenters Jacque Gage and Jeana Gockley from Joplin Public Library will discuss how to make the library family-friendly with a focus on physical space, parent resource collections and programming. Registration is required and may be completed at [Family Friendly Libraries](#). Any questions regarding the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

Creating Successful Adult Programs Webinar

On May 21, 2015, from 10:00-11:30 a.m., the Missouri State Library will host a webinar on planning, implementing, marketing and evaluating adult programs. The presenter is Joey Holmes from the Laurens County Library in Laurens, South Carolina. Holmes has arranged, or been closely involved with, 100 events ranging from wood lathe and pottery wheel demonstrations to lectures on moonshine, ghosts and extreme couponing, as well as the more traditional musical presentations and author events. He has presented for the South Carolina State Library, the Humanities Council of South Carolina, the Association of Rural and Small Libraries and WebJunction. Registration is required and may be completed at [Creating Successful Adult Programs](#). Any questions regarding the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

WebJunction Webinar on Marketing

On April 8, 2015, from 1-2 p.m., WebJunction will host a webinar on effective methods and useful tools to help libraries enhance and expand their marketing efforts. Presenter Jamie Matczak from the Nicolet Federated Library System in Wisconsin, will present marketing techniques that don't cost a ton of money or require a lot of staff time to help libraries gain attention and increase attendance. Registration is required and may be completed online at [12 Ways to More Effective Marketing](#).

Webinars on WorldCat Discovery Services

[WorldCat Discovery Services](#) will replace the OCLC FirstSearch service in December 2015. All libraries that provide access to the WorldCat database on FirstSearch can use WorldCat Discovery now as a part of their existing subscriptions. FirstSearch and WorldCat Discovery will operate in parallel through December 2015, to provide time for library staffs to become familiar with the new service before access to FirstSearch ends December 31, 2015. There are a number of online training opportunities on searching and configuration available. Registration is required and may be completed at [OCLC Training Support](#).

Customizable Training on Serving Persons with Disabilities Available from Project ENABLE

Project ENABLE provides free, foundational training designed specifically for public, academic or school librarians worldwide, to help them gain the knowledge and skills needed to create inclusive and accessible libraries that meet the needs of all students.

This unique training site allows librarians to designate their library type and location (state) on their registration form and receive content that is tailored just for them. In addition, training can be customized for individual or group use. The site provides five learning modules, including disability awareness, disability law and policies, creating an accessible library, planning inclusive programs and instruction, and assistive technology in libraries. Access to the materials is available at [Project Enable](#).

Project ENABLE is a partnership of the Center for Digital Literacy (CDL), the School of Information Studies (iSchool@Syracuse) and the Burton Blatt Institute (BBI) at Syracuse University. The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) provided funding support for Project ENABLE.

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